TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL NOTE



HJR 394

April 15, 2019

SUMMARY OF BILL: Urges the Governor to create an ad hoc task force to evaluate the effectiveness and necessity of state testing, curriculum, and other academic policies. Recommends the task force to include members of the Governor's cabinet, the Senate, and the House of Representatives, along with educators, school administrators and parents. Suggests that all state agencies should provide assistance to the task force upon request. Suggests that the task force should report its findings and recommendations, and any proposed legislation, to each member of the General Assembly by January 1, 2020.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Exceeds \$2,800/One-Time

Assumptions:

- The resolution does not specify the number of members to be appointed from the Senate or House of Representatives.
- At least four legislative members will be appointed to the task force who will be entitled to travel reimbursement for meetings held outside the regular legislative session.
- A total of two meetings will be held outside of the regular legislative session in FY19-20. It is assumed the Task Force will cease to exist following the conclusion of reporting findings and making recommendations by January 1, 2020.
- Legislative members will receive per diem of \$240 per day for each Task Force meeting.
- Legislative embers will receive \$0.47 per mile roundtrip; the average miles travelled per member is estimated to be 234 miles roundtrip.
- The average mileage reimbursement per member for each meeting is estimated to be \$110 (\$0.47 per mile x 234 miles).
- The total cost per member for each meeting is estimated to be \$350 (\$240 per diem + \$110 mileage).
- The total one-time increase in state expenditures as a result of this legislation is estimated to exceed \$2,800 (4 minimum legislative members x \$350 x 2 meetings).
- The task force will be able to comply with the proposed legislation within existing resources and during the normal course of business without a significant increase in expenditures.
- No significant impact to state or local operations.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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